

# MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA

## COMMON COUNCIL

MARCH 18, 2014

6:00 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

**PLEDGE TO FLAG:** The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

**PRAYER:** Councilman Berkemeier led those present in prayer.

**ROLL CALL:** Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, Brad Berkemeier, Brian Sheehan, and Jessica Miller, student advisor, answered roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse and Kate Thurston, *Rushville Republican*.

**PUBLIC HEARING: Cameron Rezone** – Mayor Pavey opened the meeting for a public hearing on the petition from Ron Cameron for a rezone. Kevin Tolloty asked if there were any questions or concerns. Bridges asked if there would be an entrance off of US 52. Cameron's attorney, Ron Wilson, said that is not anticipated. Conner made a motion to close the public hearing. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING: Additional Appropriation** – Mayor Pavey opened the meeting for a public hearing on the Additional Appropriation. Pavey asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none. Bridges made a motion to close the public hearing. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Minutes of the March 4, 2014 meeting were presented for approval. Sheehan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Pavey gave the following report:

1. We had the ground breaking on Highway 52.
2. Congratulations to the Rotary Top 10, which included Jessica as a top ten senior, along with Councilman Sheehan as the presenter.
3. The Downtown Revitalization public hearing was well attended.
4. The Program for Launch Your Own Business went well. There were 6 participants.
5. Met with the new Ivy Tech Chancellor, Dr. Andy Bowen.
6. Congratulations to Councilman Sheehan and the St. Patrick's committee for a successful celebration. Sheehan thanked the City departments for their help. The money will be distributed to the Riverside Park concert series, Rachel's Challenge, Veterans, Cloverbud

4-H Club, Chamber Downtown Flower Project, Grand Prix, Baseball/Softball League, Varsity Scholars, and Dare.

7. Met with Bob Bronson from DNR to discuss the re-application to the trail on the levee.
8. The Indot meeting for Thursday was cancelled. All will be notified when a new date is set. The general public and businesses along the route are welcome.
9. Monday at 11:00 a.m. we will have the ground breaking for the North Industrial Park.
10. The pre-construction meeting for the waste water project is March 26<sup>th</sup>.
11. The next meeting for the comprehensive plan and marketing will be March 31<sup>st</sup>.
12. Rachel's Challenge is scheduled for April 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:50 in the gym. The program is also open to the public at 7:00 p.m.
13. The Mayor's 5k walk/run is scheduled for May 10.
14. Duke installed lights at the truck parking lot.
15. At the next County Commissioners meeting we will discuss the APC/BZA and Rails for Trails.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT:** None.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Council President Bridges said he received a letter from Rush County Community Foundation that it is time to distribute funds from Rush County Park Fund in the amount of \$556.68. The only applicant is the Park Department for an open shelter at Booker T. Smith made a motion to approve the use of the money for a shelter. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. **Amphitheater/Park Board** – Schedules are made.
2. **Comprehensive Plan** –
3. **Trash Sub Committee** –
4. **Employee Benefit/City Policy** – The Mayor will give the final mark ups to the Department Heads to review on Friday. Then it will be sent to the policy committee for their review.
5. **APC/BZA – Building Code** –
6. **Marketing** –

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Police** – Chief Tucker said they are waiting on delivery of their new vehicle.

He received word that paperwork has been forwarded to Perf for approval on Cochran.

Officer Parmalee has graduated from the Police Academy.

The Park Patrol will begin their season April 1<sup>st</sup> and it will run through October.

The Mayor's 5K run/walk is scheduled for May 10<sup>th</sup>. Preregistration is available on line.

The FOP will be co-sponsoring a fish fry Friday from 4:30-7:30 at the Knights of Columbus.

**Fire** – Chief Jenkins reported that he has received the second ambulance. They are taking it to have the new graphics applied. They are hoping to have it service by March 28<sup>th</sup>. They have also received the new cots.

**Animal** – Moran reported the intake for February was 38 animals and 8 animals were euthanized.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **Aspen Drive Parking** – The Newhouses will contact Ron Wilson for a resolution in this matter.
2. **FOP Lease Revisions** – The Board of Works approved and signed the lease.
3. **ECDC Incentives Agreement – Downtown Revitalization Plan** – The Board of Works approved the agreement.
4. **New Trash Program and Associated Costs** – Mayor Pavey said the numbers have changed a bit. The County agreed through Green Clean Rush to put a larger logo on the lids. This bumped up the price. They also asked to provide some of recycle containers in 96 gallon containers as well as the smaller ones. Caldwell's would like to put their logo on the side of the containers. They would like a contract to pay in a yearly commitment instead of one lump sum.
5. **Ordinance 2014-5 Additional Appropriation** – Conner made a motion to approve Ordinance 2014-5 for additional appropriation for the purchase of the trash containers. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Resolution 2014-6 Adoption of Downtown Revitalization Plan "Campaign Quarters and Campaign Flats"** – Deb Lily informed Council that a public hearing was held on March

11<sup>th</sup>. Sheehan made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-6. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. **Ron Cameron Rezone** – Berkemeier said the APC gave a favorable recommendation. Sheehan made a motion to approve the rezone. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Kevin Tolloty Resignation** – Pavey said that Kevin Tolloty has submitted his resignation. He said he will be missed and that he was the most qualified person we have had in that position. Pavey wished Tolloty good luck.
4. **Call of Pool Bonds Pay off Pool** – Sheehan made a motion to approve the payoff of the pool bonds. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried. Pavey said we need to keep in mind the need for maintenance.
5. **Park Vandalism** - Chief Tucker said last month in South Veteran's Park there was several thousand dollars of vandalism. Two juveniles have been arrested and charged for the damage. Tucker suggested asking the Park Board to consider modifying the park hours from dawn to dusk. The parks are currently open from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Conner congratulated Tucker on the arrest.

**CLAIMS:** Bridges made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE:** Councilman Conner asked for clarification on the 52 project truck route. Pavey said the local detour is from Seven Hills down to old 44 across to new 44, then to Main Street, across by the Courthouse and up Perkins. There is another piece having them going down Water over to Main. Conner asked if we need temporary signs on Hannah and Spencer to keep truckers off those streets. Tusker said he will contact the State to assist in the detour route. Commissioner Miller said the problem is that the project was changed from where they said the 1<sup>st</sup> phase would begin. Smith said he thought temporary signs should be put up. Miller said they would take care of it.

Councilman Sheehan said Shares open house is this Thursday from 10:00-12:00.

**ADJOURN:** There was no further business to come before Council; Smith made a motion to adjourn. Sheehan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.